

Pending Approval – Bring corrections to next meeting, January 18, 2005 - 7 p.m.

PARKS COMMISSION MEETING
 Lincoln Charter Township
 2055 West John Beers Rd.
 Stevensville, Mi. 49127

Tuesday, January 4, 2005

The meeting was called to order by Bill Tucker at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Michael Lucker, Rich Knapp, Nick White, Rick Knight, and John Hoskins.

Absent: Marilyn Anderson, Bill Tucker

Guests: Kim Risk, LYSL, Hugh Gillespie, Parks Maintenance, Ned Totzke, Phil Falak, Blair Bigelow, Gene DeLaforet, Shawn DeLaforet, David and Kathy Smith, Terrie Smith, Josh Stildi, Phil Whitehead, and Steven Hinrichs, Requests to be notified about trail information before seeing it in newspaper: donkendra@ameritech.net.

Minutes: No minutes read. Copy in township offices.

Treasurer's Report/Budget:

\$4,751.98 (bills) property taxes, Williams employment, custodial supplies.

Motion to approve bills by Rick Knapp, 2nd Mike Lucker, carried.

Rick brought up about how Parks budget is made up. Can we obtain more money for projects?

What is status on the township using purchase orders?

Audience:

Don Dewitt wants no part of trail on his property. Bus tour not approved. Property not for use between Glenlord and Marquette.

Blair Bigelow also wants nothing to do with trail. Wants notified before reading it in the newspaper.

Ned Totzke also wants no part. Explained that property owners should have been contacted before publicized.

Nick explained what Linear Trail is for.

Steve Hinrichs spoke to the positive of the trail. Spoke to 10-year master plan. Proposed and going through sewer authority to clear out Hickory Creek area as a path for trail.

Kim Risk, sign up information for LYSL, gave info flyer. Talked about next board meeting January 18th, concession/pavilion.

Mike Lucker offered assistance for bricks. Some brick as used for baseball building. Mike asked for architectural drawings on concession stand. See attached flyer.

Old Business:

John Froelich has been removed from all accounts and replaced and authorized by Nick White, Bill Tucker, and Hugh Gillespie. See attached flier.

Hugh Gillespie spoke to his job. Making rounds at parks, checking bathrooms, cleaning up trash and sticks, 1-3 hrs. for clean-up, rest of time working on projects, i.e. checking sprinkler heads. Would like priority list for projects.

Use media to announce Park Board actions. Who will write an article for next Lakeshore Light? Wendy at Lakeshore Light is checking to see if we can put Friends of the Park envelope for fundraising purposes. Need a few articles about the Parks before March, if we want the fundraising drive to be successful, otherwise may not be beneficial.

Check if Reliable is billing us for off-season. No action.

Report on the Parks

Rudnick Park – no report

Glenlord Beach - status of DEQ permit (ask Matt Warner), dumping continuation, and replacement of stairs. Erik Sommerud and Jim Hann had previously offered free labor with the materials supplied. Check status of broken roadway on South end. No action.

Hugh asked for power washer to clean decking at Glenlord Beach, backpack leaf blower to clean up parks needs generator. Township supposedly has one we can use. Flywheel or 302 loader is shot. Talked about multiple problems with old mower.

Lincoln Township Beach – no action.

North Lake Park – more work on grant status.

Community Center – no action.

Parks House - Talked about scrapping old metal building at baseball fields. Hugh and Nick to check on takers.

Softball/Baseball – check possible leak. Motion to allocate up to \$20,000 for fencing at baseball field. Jim Wasserman of LYBSA will present a cost estimate for the next meeting. What is the status of the sewer installation by D'Augustino Excavation for concession stand at the baseball fields? potable water?

John Hoskins mentioned fixing leaky roof in boys pitching machine building.

Soccer – no action.

New Business:

Rick talking to Hugh about cellphone plans, I205 Phone \$.99 – 2 yr. \$49.99 1 yr, phone clip \$15.00, Plan 595 month, incharge ID1-e Phone Government Disc. Rick made a motion to purchase phone plan, Nick White 2nd, carried.

Grant status for Northlake Park, denied since request for support materials were not sent in June, also the grant refers to connecting to Grand Mere State Park, but they were not contacted. For these reasons we were denied. Grant may be resubmitted with the additional information and rewrite, April 1 deadline. Need to talk to Pam Blough.

Talk to Pam Blough also about her recommendations for park properties for the 5-Year Plan.

Pam Blough is available for next meeting, 1/18. Nick recommended Pam be here.

Ron Burgess, Lakeshore Administration, has scheduled a bus for the workshop 1/14/05. Several parks managers will be attending as well as our landscape architect for the Linear Trail study, Rod Helmer, park board members, and residents.

A Motion to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. was made by Rich Knapp, Seconded by Rick Knight, and Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Anderson, Secretary (absent but transcribed notes
as taken by Rich Knapp, Parks Commission)